Maine Revised Statutes

Title 30-A: MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES

Chapter 223: MUNICIPAL FINANCES

§5726. DEVELOPMENT

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A municipality may raise or appropriate money to: [1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD).]
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1. **Board of trade.** Support and guarantee obligations of a chamber of commerce or board of trade or a local development corporation, or a chamber of commerce and a local development corporation, or a board of trade and a local development corporation;

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[ 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD).]
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2. Advertising. Advertise its resources and attractions or those of the State;

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[ 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD).]
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3. **Real estate.** Purchase real estate and personal property from the Federal Government for municipal purposes;

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[ 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD).]
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4. **Athletic facilities and recreation.** Provide real estate and personal property for recreational purposes and supporting a recreational program or for building, maintaining and operating an athletic facility;

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[ 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD) .]
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- 5. Fish. Propagate and protect fish in public waters located wholly or partially within its boundaries.
- A. The money appropriated shall be spent by the municipal officers or a person appointed by them; and [1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD).]
- B. The person authorized to spend the money shall submit a written report of the expenditure to the municipal legislative body within one year of the date of appropriation; [1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD).]

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6. Historical society. Assist a local historical society;

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[ 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD).]
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7. **History.** Write and publish its history;

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[ 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD).]
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8. Conventions. Assist conventions;

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[ 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD).]
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9. Lands. Provide for and acquire open areas, including marshlands, swamps or wetlands;

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[ 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD).]
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10. Mass bus transportation. Aid private companies or public agencies furnishing mass bus transportation services within the municipality;

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[ 1987, c. 737, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); 1987, c. 737, Pt. C, §106 (NEW); 1989, c. 6, (AMD); 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD); 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8, 10 (AMD).]
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11. **Relocation assistance.** Provide funds for relocation assistance services and payments to individuals, families and businesses displaced as a result of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose;

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[ 2001, c. 78, §1 (AMD) .]
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12. **District Court.** Construct, equip and furnish a district courthouse within the municipality. The municipality may negotiate a lease with the Chief Judge of the District Court for the use of such a courthouse;

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[ 2001, c. 78, §1 (AMD) .]
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13. Elderly housing. Provide municipally owned rental housing for the elderly;

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[ 2013, c. 206, §1 (AMD) .]
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14. Affordable housing. Facilitate affordable housing; and

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[ 2013, c. 206, §2 (AMD) .]
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15. **Job creation and retention.** Establish revolving loan fund programs to assist in job creation and retention for local for-profit and nonprofit enterprises if approved by a municipal referendum election pursuant to sections 2528, 2529 and 2532, even if the municipality or plantation has not accepted the provisions of section 2528.

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[ 2013, c. 206, §3 (NEW) .]

SECTION HISTORY

1987, c. 737, §§A2,C106 (NEW). 1989, c. 6, (AMD). 1989, c. 9, §2 (AMD).

1989, c. 104, §§C8,10 (AMD). 2001, c. 78, §§1,2 (AMD). 2013, c. 206, §§1-3 (AMD).
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